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SUBJECT: RALPH KURTZMAN USDA VISIT

REF: COLOMBO 601

1. DR. RALPH KURTZMAN PLANNING TO VISIT INDIA AND PAKISTAN IN MAY 1978 TO REVIEW COOPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH PROJECTS. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT NO FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT NECESSARY TRAVEL AND LOCAL PER DIEM COSTS IN SRI LANKA. IF EMBASSY OR USIS INTERESTED IN FUNDING KURTZMAN TRAVEL FROM MADRAS AND RETURN, INCLUDING PER DIEM EXPENSES, HE CAN BE SCHEDULED FOR A VISIT.

2. DR. KURTZMAN HAS RECEIVED ACCLAIM FROM HIS 1974 TALKS PRESENTED IN PAKISTAN AND THAILAND ON MUSHROOM CULTIVATION. THE TALKS WERE PUBLISHED IN PAKISTAN AND PROVED TO BE VERY POPULAR JUDGING BY THE SEVERAL HUNDRED REQUESTS WHICH HAVE BEEN FILLED. HE HAS SEVERAL SEMINAR TOPICS WHICH COULD BE PRESENTED DEPENDING ON AUDIENCE INTEREST:  
SUMMARY OF MUSHROOM CULTURE; FROM STRAW TO SUPPER IN FIVE DAYS;  
THE CULTURE OF THE WESTERN COMMERCIAL MUSHROOM; MUSHROOMS AS A SOURCE OF FOOD PROTEIN; NITROGEN FIXATION BY PLEUROTUS?

3. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER TRAVEL FUNDS AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT  
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DR. KURTZMAN'S VISIT TO COLOMBO AND NUMBER OF DAYS REQUESTED.  
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